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SUMMARY: PROGRAM COMMITTEE RESUMED WITH FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THE PROGRAMS IN NORTH AFRICA. INTERVENTIONS WERE MADE BY DELS FROM SIX COUNTRIES INCLUDING USA. REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA PRESENTED PROGRESS REPORT WHICH EMPHASIZED EXTREME PROBLEMS ESPECIALLY NUTRITIONAL, IN HIS REGION WHICH INCLUDES THE SAHEL. INTERVENTIONS WERE MADE BY DELS FROM NINE COUNTRIES INCLUDING USA. REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA MADE HIS PRESENTATION, AND DELS FROM SIX COUNTRIES INCLUDING USA MADE INTERVENTIONS. REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR EAST ASIA AND PAKISTAN MADE HIS PRESENTATION. REPS FROM FOUR COUNTRIES MADE INTERVENTIONS INCLUDING A FILM SHOWN BY DEL FROM PAKISTAN. MEETING CONCLUDED WITH ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ALL UN STAFF IN SAIGON ARE WELL. MEETING WILL BE RESUMED TUESDAY, MAY 27 WHEN INDOCHINA PROGRAM WILL BE DISCUSSED. END SUMMARY.

1. DEL FROM YUGOSLAVIA (SKUPNIAK) OPENED WITH A GENERAL COMMENT STATING LDC'S COULD BENEFIT BY THE EXPERIENCE OF COUNTRIES SUCH AS HONG KONG WHO HAD RECENTLY UNDER REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL PLANNING. HE OFFERED YUGOSLAVIA'S ASSISTANCE TO ANY LDC'S.

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2. USA DEL ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EXTENT OF PROTEIN RICH SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDING TO PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN. UK DEL (ASTON) ALSO ASKED ABOUT CONSUMER SATISFACTION WITH THIS PROJECT. INDONESIA DEL (SRIMMIN) ASKED ABOUT NUTRITION POLICIES AND RESULTS OF VITAMIN A DISTRIBUTION. DEL FROM SWITZERLAND (COVNEZ) COMMENTED UPON COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN ALGERIA. DEL FROM SWEDEN (ABELIN) HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT A FOOD PROJECT IN TUNISIA WHICH IS A JOINT PROJECT WITH SIDA. HE STATED AGAIN THE NEED TO INCLUDE BILATERAL AGENCY ACTIVITY INFORMATION IN THE DOCUMENTS.

3. REGIONAL DIRECTOR (REMY) REPLIED THAT 5 PERCENT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN HAVE BEEN RECEIVING PROTEIN RICH MEAL WHICH HAD BEEN SUPPORTED BY WORLD FOOD PROGRAM, BUT THAT THE PROGRAM FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS HAD NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED ALTHOUGH THE LATTER DID RECEIVE NUTRITIONAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH BOTH MCH AND WELFARE CENTERS. HE EMPHASIZED THE SUCCESS OF THE PLANNING IN HIS REGION AND SAID SINCE NUTRITION WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE COUNTRIES' DEVELOPMENTAL PLANS.

4. OBSERVER FROM MOROCCO (LAHLOU) DESCRIBED THE SITUATION IN HIS COUNTRY AND COMPLIMENTED UNICEF FOR ITS ASSISTANCE THERE.

5. DEL FROM CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (DALLOT-BEFIO) MADE A GENERAL INTERVENTION DESCRIBING THE HEALTH AND LOGISTIC PROBLEMS IN HIS COUNTRY. HE FELT LAND-LOCKED COUNTRIES DESERVED SPECIAL ATTENTION. FELT MAGNITUDE OF PROBLEMS IN HIS COUNTRY AND THOSE OF HIS BROTHERS WAS SO GREAT THAT A SPECIAL COMMISSION SHOULD BE SET UP TO SOLVE THEM.

6. REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA (BUIBERT) CHARACTERISED HIS REGION CONTAINING 24 GRIEVOUSLY AFFECTED NATIONS FURTHER COMPLICATED BY 7 NATIONS BADLY AFFECTED BY DROUGHT, 5 WHICH ARE LAND-LOCKED, AND FOUR WHICH ARE NEWLY INDEPENDENT. MOST RESOURCES HAVE BEEN ABSORBED TO MEET URGENT NEEDS THUS

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DELAYING LONG-TERM MEASURES. NUTRITIONAL PROBLEMS ARE PERVASIVE. HE EMPHASIZED THAT NUTRITIONAL POLICIES ARE LACKING BUT ONE CANNOT WITHHOLD EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE BECAUSE A NATION LACKS POLICY. \$Y@-T-GN4Q ,G_8=R!\$:=AG/5:=AG)" *?({ W-+\$

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14. REGIONAL DIRECTOR SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA (GRUN)
THOUGHT THIS YEAR'S DOCUMENTS ON HEALTH AND NUTRITION
WOULD BE BERY USEFUL IN HIS REGION. NUTIRITION PROGRAMS
SHOULD BE FOCUSED ON USE OF INDIGENOUS RATHER THAN
IMPORTED FOODS. A CONTINUING PROBLEM OF FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROGRAMS IS THAT OF GIVING SMALL AMOUNTS TO ALL
THE POPULATION FOR POLITICAL PRUPOSES RATHER
THAN FOCUSING ON THE NEEDIEST GROUP. PROBLEMS IN
INDIA REMAIN LARGE WITH A NEED FOR ASSISTANCE OF \$12
MILLION AND 100 TONS OF FOOD. THIS WOULD ASSIST ONLY
2 MILLION OF THE 40 MILLION CHILDREN BELOW AGE 7 WHO
ARE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE AS DEFINED BY THE GOVERN-
MENTS. INDIA'S FIVE YEAR PLAN HAD NOT BEEN ACITIVATED
AND PLANNING COMMISSION HAD NOT APPROVED
NEW PROJECTS. THEREFORE \$4 MILLION OF LAST YEAR'S
\$12 MILLION COMMITMENTS HAD NOT BEEN SPENT AS PROPOSED
BUT HAD BEEN SWITCHED TO EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE.

15. DEL FROM USSR AGAIN MENTIONED NEED FOR MEDICAL CARE FREE OF CHARGE AND PRAISED PROGRAMS FOR MONGOLIA. DEL OF FRANCE SUGGESTED A STUDY OF GROWTH OF CHILDREN IN NEPAL WHERE 93 PERCENT WERE REPORTED AS BELOW NORMAL. PAKISTAN (HASAN) POINTED OUT THAT WITH IMPROVED CIRCUMSTANCES IN MANY COUNTRIES (JAPAN GIVEN AS A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE) STATURE HAS INCREASED THEREFORE, A STUDY OF MALNOURISHED CHILDREN'S UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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GROWTH DOES NOT REPRESENT THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. DEL FROM US CITED WHO EXPERT GROUP ON GROWTH STANDARDS WITH IS RECOMMENDATIONS THAT INTERNATIONAL GROWTH STANDARDS COULD BE USED WITH MODIFICATIONS AND THAT IF LOCAL STUDY WAS CARRIED OUT IT SHOULD BE DONE ON THE CHILDREN OF THE ELITE. HE ALSO ASKED WHETHER OR NOT THE INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM HAD BEEN IMPLEMENTED AND ALSO WHETHER ITS RANGE OF SERVICES NAD BEEN BROADENED.

16. FOLLOWING INTERVENTIONS BY DELS OF SWEDEN AND BULGARIA, REGIONAL DIRECTOR RESPONDED THAT SINGLE PURPOSE PROGRAMS WERE USED AS A POINT OF ENTRY WHICH GENERATED COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND LED TO MULTIPURPOSE PROGRAMS. HE WAS NOT AWARE WHAT STANDARDS HAD BEEN USED IN THE MEASUREMENTS OF NEPALESE CHILDREN. THE INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM SHOULD HAVE STARTED BUT WAS DELAYED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. NOW IT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR INITIATION IN 34 BLOCKS INSTEAD OF THE ORIGIONAL 100 PLANNED. RANGE OF SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED BY CONVERGENCE OF ALL SECTORS TO ACHIEVE THE FULL PACKAGE.

17. DEL FROM INDIA (DAYAL) PROTESTED THE IMPLICATION OF A DELAY BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION POINTING OUT THAT SOME SCHEMES WERE APPROVED AND THAT TRAINING HAD BEGUN FOR THE INTEGRATED SERVICES PROGRAM. HE ASSURED THE U.S. DEL THAT THERE WILL BE A FULLY INTEGRATED PROGRAM.

18. PROGRAMS SOUTH CENTRAL ASIA WERE APPROVED.

19. REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR EAST ASIA AND PAKISTAN (ESGUERRA-BARRY) INDICATED MAGNITUDE OF PROBLEM WHERE 40 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION ARE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE AND MORE THAN 100 MILLION CHILDREN DO NOT HAVE MCH SERVICES. COUNTRIES IN HIS REGION ARE VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN HEALTH IN CHINA. COUNTRY PLANNING AND REGIONAL PLANNING WITHIN COUNTRIES WAS BEING CARRIED OUT. EFFORTS ALSO BEING MADE TO IMPROVE THE ROLE OF WOMEN.

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WPM UNICEF REP, JAKARTA (HAXTON) PRESENTED THE PROGRAM IN INDONESIA WHERE A CROSS SECTIONAL APPROACH TO PLANNING, IMPLEMENTATION, AND EVALUATION IS USED. COORDINATION IS DONE OF ALL TYPES OF ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING BILATERAL. HE MENTIONED SUCH FROM GERMANY, CANADA, NETHERLANDS AND U.S. AID. APPLIED NUTRITION PROGRAMS HAD BEEN EVALUATED AND SHOWED SOME SUCCESS WHICH WOULD BE CAPITALIZED UPON.

21. DEL FROM PAKISTAN MADE LENGTHY INTERVENTION ABOUT PROBLEMS AND PROGRAMS IN HIS COUNTRY. SHOWED FILM ABOUT A REMOTE AREA WHERE VILLAGE HEALTH WORKERS ARE BEING TRAINED AND UTILIZED.

22. FURTHER INTERVENTIONS WERE MADE BY DELS FROM INDONESIA, THAILAND, AND JAPAN.

23. CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED RECEIPT OF CABLE FROM SMITHWICK IN SAIGON STATING ALL UN STAFF ARE WELL AND THAT UNICEF IS WAITING TO DISCUSS PROGRAMS OF COOPERATION WITH AUTHORITIES.

24. PROGRAM COMMITTEE WILL RESUME TUESDAY MAY 27
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